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PATENT  
Attorney Docket No.: 18489-002510US

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of:  
  
HIMANSHU PATEL et al.  
  
Application No.: 10/027,418  
  
Filed: December 19, 2001  
  
For: METHODS AND DEVICES FOR  
REMOVING MATERIAL FROM A  
BODY LUMEN (As Amended)

Examiner: Bradford C. Pantuck  
  
Art Unit: 3731

**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

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In response to the Office Action mailed December 30, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.
- Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.
- The Remarks section begins on page 14 of this paper.